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1. HERewith FULL TEXT PAGE TWO SPECIAL TO THE NEW YORK TIMES COLUMN THURSDAY DECEMBER 30 HEADED "VANCE FORMS STAFF OF OLD AND NEW AIDES/AT LEAST FOUR KEY ASSOCIATES OF KISSINGER ARE TO BE RETAINED--MORE APPOINTMENTS DUE."

2. WASHINGTON, DEC. 29--CYRUS R. VANCE, THE SECRETARY OF STATE-DESIGNATE, HAS VIRTUALLY ASSEMBLED HIS STATE DEPARTMENT HIGH COMMAND. IT COMBINES SOME NEW FACES, SOME FORMER AND PRESENT FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS AND AT LEAST FOUR KEY AIDES TO THE CURRENT SECRETARY OF STATE, HENRY A. KISSINGER.

3. THE SELECTION HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED, AND PRESIDENT-ELECT CARTER MUST STILL GIVE HIS FINAL APPROVAL TO SOME APPOINTMENTS. BUT RIGHT NOW THE OUTLINE OF THE TEAM THAT
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WILL TAKE CHARGE ON JAN. 20 LOOKS LIKE THIS.

4. AROUND MR. VANCE WILL BE A CLUSTER OF PERSONAL AIDES. THEY WILL INCLUDE, ACCORDING TO VANCE ASSOCIATES, MATTHEW NIMETZ, A PARTNER IN MR. VANCE'S LAW FIRM, WHO WILL BE COUNSELOR IN THE DEPARTMENT; PETER TARNOFF, A FOREIGN

SERVICE OFFICER NAMED LAST WEEK AS MR. VANCE'S EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT, AND ANTHONY LAKE, WHO WILL PROBABLY BECOME HEAD OF THE POLICY PLANNING STAFF.

5. THERE WILL BE OTHER PERSONAL AIDES SELECTED, BUT VANCE ASSOCIATES BELIEVE THAT THESE THREE WILL FORM A NUCLEUS AROUND THE NEW SECRETARY OF STATE SUCH AS MR. KISSINGER HAS HAD WITH LAWRENCE S. EAGLEBURGER, WINSTON LORD AND HELMUT SONNENFELDT, ALL OF WHOM ARE LEAVING THE DEPARTMENT.

6. THE NO. 2 MAN IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT WILL PROBABLY BE WARREN M. CHRISTOPHER, A LOS ANGELES LAWYER, WHOM MR. VANCE LAST WEEK ASKED TO TAKE THE JOB. MR. CHRISTOPHER, WHO WILL HAVE THE TITLE OF DEPUTY SECRETARY, HAS KNOWN MR. VANCE FROM THE JOHNSON ADMINISTRATION, WHEN MR. CHRISTOPHER WAS A DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL AND MR. VANCE WAS A SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE DEALING WITH THE DETROIT RIOTS.

7. THE NO. 3 JOB IN THE DEPARTMENT, UNDER SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, APPEARS OPEN AT THE MOMENT, WITH RICHARD COOPER, THE YALE ECONOMIST WHO WAS THE EARLY FAVORITE, NOW DEEMED MORE LIKELY TO GO TO TREASURY TO WORK FOR W. MICHAEL BLUMENTHAL.

8. THE NO. 4 JOB AT STATE DEPARTMENT, UNDER SECRETARY FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS, IS HELD BY PHILIP C. HABIB, AND MR. VANCE HAS ASKED MR. HABIB TO REMAIN AT HIS POST. MR. VANCE AND MR. HABIB WORKED TOGETHER AT THE VIETNAM PEACE TALKS IN PARIS IN 1968-69.
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9. MR. VANCE HAS ALSO, ACCORDING TO AIDES, ASKED THREE OF MR. KISSINGER'S REGIONAL DIRECTORS TO REMAIN. THEY ARE ALFRED L. ATHERTON JR., ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR NEAR EASTERN AND SOUTH ASIAN AFFAIRS; ARTHUR HARTMAN, ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR EUROPEAN AFFAIRS, AND WILLIAM E. SCHAUFELER, ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR AFRICAN AFFAIRS.

10. RICHARD M. HOLBROOKE, EDITOR OF FOREIGN POLICY MAGAZINE AND A FORMER FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER, HAS BEEN ASKED BY MR. VANCE TO SERVE AS ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR EAST ASIAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS, BUT THIS APPOINTMENT MUST BE APPROVED BY MR. CARTER.

11. THE NEW LATIN-AMERICAN REGIONAL HEAD HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED, BUT MR. VANCE HAS TALKED OF HAVING THE REV. THEODORE M. HESBURGH, THE PRESIDENT OF NOTRE DAME, IN THAT JOB OR AS HEAD OF THE AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

12. RICHARD M. MOOSE, A FORMER FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER AND NOW STAFF DIRECTOR OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON FOREIGN ASSISTANCE, HAS BEEN DISCUSSED AS THE NEXT UNDER SECRETARY FOR MANAGEMENT, BUT THIS HAS NOT BEEN CONFIRMED.

13. PAUL C. WARNKE, A FORMER PENTAGON OFFICIAL HAS BEEN REPORTEDLY OFFERED THE POST OF DIRECTOR OF THE ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT AGENCY BUT HAS NOT DECIDED WHETHER TO TAKE THE POST. HENRY OWEN, A FORMER STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL WHO IS NOW WITH THE BROOKINGS INSTITUTION, HAS ALSO BEEN MENTIONED FOR THE POST. (END TEXT.)
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